

PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 3299-PC-1
ADOPTED ON AUGUST 15, 2002

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK ELEMENT- AMENDMENT TO THE PROGRESS
GUIDE AND GENERAL PLAN

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of The City of San Diego held a public hearing on August 15, 2002 to consider the Strategic Framework Element, a proposed amendment to the Progress Guide and General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Framework Element, an amendment to the Progress Guide and General Plan, replaces Sections I through VI, and Section XI of the Guidelines for Future Development, and replaces Section XII, Prospective Annexation Areas, of the Guidelines with the text and map illustrating these areas contained in Attachment 10 of the Planning Department Report dated July 18, 2002. Individual elements relating to Housing, Transportation, Commercial, Industrial, Public Facilities, Services, and Safety, Open Space, Recreation, Redevelopment, Conservation, Energy Conservation, Cultural Resources Management, Seismic Safety and Urban Design, and a Land Use Element consisting all of the community plans will remain in effect until updated; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego General Plan and Progress Guide was adopted in 1979, updated in 1989, the Guidelines for Future Development were included in 1990, and updated in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan should be updated periodically to ensure its relevance and utility; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego has effectively reached build-out with has less than 10 percent of the City's developable land remaining vacant; and

WHEREAS, the growth projected for The City of San Diego within 20 years will require an additional 17,000 units above what is projected under existing plans and policies; and

WHEREAS, the focus of General Plan development policies must shift from developing vacant land to reinvesting in existing developed communities; and

WHEREAS, demographic changes relating to the age and diversity of the projected population will determine different future lifestyle choices; and

WHEREAS, with continued growth, there is an increasing need to address quality of life issues such as the natural environment and open space preservation; and

WHEREAS, the pressure to develop in existing communities requires additional policies regarding the preservation of community character and historic resources; and

WHEREAS, with increasing connectivity, additional regional and bi-national collaboration is required; and

WHEREAS, enhanced educational opportunities and multi-use school facilities are vital components to the health of The City of San Diego, and

WHEREAS, housing is increasingly unaffordable and unattainable to most San Diegans; and

WHEREAS, traffic congestion is increasing thereby significantly limiting the mobility of the citizens of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the equitable distribution of economic opportunity has become an even more significant factor to the overall economic prosperity of The City of San Diego and the region; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego faces a significant fiscal shortfall related to the provision of public facilities and services that directly affect the quality of life of its residents; and

WHEREAS, public participation in the preparation of the Strategic Framework Element and associated documents has included hundreds of public meetings, community workshops, educational media presentations, and the formation of several citizen subcommittees comprising a diversity of community and business interests; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed Strategic Framework Element revision to the Progress Guide and General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission concurs with the Vision, Values, Policies, Findings, and Recommendations contained in said documents with recommended revisions contained in Exhibit A including the removal of the Allied Gardens site from the Strategic Framework Element and Action Plan maps; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission of The City of San Diego hereby recommends that the Council of The City of San Diego approve the revision of the General Plan by incorporating the document entitled The Strategic Framework Element, as contained in Attachments 1, 5, and 10, of the Planning Department report dated July 18, 2002, and recommended revisions as contained in Exhibit A including the removal of the Allied Gardens site from the Strategic Framework Element and Action Plan maps, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Planning Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by adoption of this resolution, the Planning Commission of The City of San Diego recommends appeal of all previous resolutions adopting General Plan maps and text that are inconsistent herewith.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by The City of San Diego Planning Commission on August 15, 2002.